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Madison, Wisconsin -- Stephen P. Sinnott, United States Attorney for the Western District of Wisconsin, announced that Timmothy Portman, DOB: 2/25/69, Watertown, Wisconsin, was sentenced yesterday afternoon by Chief U.S. District Judge Barbara B. Crabb to 12 months imprisonment for hacking into the computers of his former employer, LeMans Corporation, of Janesville, Wisconsin. Judge Crabb also ordered Portman to pay \$17,884 in restitution to LeMans Corporation. Timmothy Portman pleaded guilty to this charge on June 2, 2005.

United States Attorney Sinnott stated, "The successful prosecution of Portman occurred because LeMans Corporation contacted law enforcement immediately after the attacks. As a result of LeMans Corporation's decision, law enforcement officers were able to gather crucial digital evidence that would have been lost had they delayed reporting the crime. Because LeMans Corporation acted as a responsible corporate citizen, law enforcement was able to stop Portman's attacks and he has been held accountable for his crime."

Following his one-year in prison, Portman faces three years of supervised release during which time he will be required to advise employers of his prior conviction and must allow installation of hardware and software to monitor his computer usage. Sinnott stated that this sentence was the result of a lengthy and complex investigation by the Janesville Police Department and the Wisconsin Department of Justice, Division

of Criminal Investigation. The case was prosecuted by Assistant U.S. Attorney Timothy M. O'Shea.

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